

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. – 17. (Canceled)

18. (Previously Presented) A method of making a golf ball comprising:
partially curing a crosslinkable resin to form a staged resin film;
sandwiching the staged resin film between two layers of polybutadiene-based
material to form a laminate;
applying the laminate to a core
forming a portion of the golf ball with the staged resin film.

19. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 18, further comprising the step wherein
the step of forming a portion of a golf ball further comprises the steps of:
sandwiching the staged resin film between two layers of polybutadiene-based
material to form a laminate; and
applying the laminate to a core
forming a cover over the laminate.

20. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 18, wherein [[the]] the step of partially
curing further comprises adding at least one material that alters moisture or vapor
transmission through the laminate forming a portion of a golf ball further comprises the steps
of:
forming the staged resin film into a pre-molded shell; and
forming a portion of the golf ball with the pre-molded shell.

21. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 18, wherein the crosslinkable resin
comprises a polyurethane, polyurea, epoxy, diene rubber, unsaturated polyester, silicone, and
mixtures thereof.

22. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 18, wherein the portion of the golf ball is
not the outermost portion, and further comprising molding at least one second staged resin
film over the laminate portion of the golf ball formed from the first staged resin film.

23. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 21, wherein the polyurethane comprises a partially or totally blocked isocyanate.

24. (Previously Presented) A method of making a golf ball component comprising:
partially curing a crosslinkable resin to form a staged resin film having a Shore D hardness that is about 10 percent to about 80 percent of a completely cured staged resin film, wherein the crosslinkable resin comprises a partially or totally blocked isocyanate, an interpenetrating polymer network, an isocyanate compound comprising a ketimine, or mixtures thereof;
forming a portion of the golf ball with the staged resin film.

25. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 24, wherein the step of partially curing a crosslinkable resin results in a staged resin film having a Shore D hardness that is about 20 percent to about 60 percent of a completely cured staged resin film.

26. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 24, wherein the step of forming further comprises the steps of:
providing a core; and
forming the staged resin film about the core.

27. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 24, wherein the crosslinkable resin comprises polyurethane, polyurea, epoxy, diene rubber, unsaturated polyester, silicone, or mixtures thereof.

28. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 24, wherein the step of forming a portion of a golf ball further comprises the steps of:
forming the staged resin film into a pre-molded shell; and
forming a portion of the golf ball with the pre-molded shell ~~crosslinkable resin comprises a partially or totally blocked isocyanate, an interpenetrating polymer network, an isocyanate compound comprising a ketimine, or mixtures thereof.~~

29. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 24, wherein the step of partially curing a crosslinkable resin further comprises adding at least one material that alters moisture or vapor transmission through the golf ball component.

30. (Currently Amended) A method of making a golf ball component comprising:
partially curing a crosslinkable resin to form a staged resin film having a tensile
strength that is about 10 percent to about 80 percent of a completely cured
staged resin film, wherein the staged resin film comprises at least one of a
partially or totally blocked isocyanate, an interpenetrating polymer network,
an isocyanate compound comprising a ketimine, or mixtures thereof; and
molding a portion of the golf ball with the staged resin film.

31. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 30, wherein the step of partially curing a
crosslinkable resin results in a staged resin film having a tensile strength that is about 20
percent to about 60 percent of a completely cured staged resin film.

32. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 30, wherein the step of partially curing
further comprises adding at least one material that alters moisture or vapor transmission
through the portion of the golf ball staged resin film comprises at least one of a partially or
totally blocked isocyanate, an interpenetrating polymer network, an isocyanate compound
comprising a ketimine, or mixtures thereof.

33. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 30, wherein the step of molding a portion
of the golf ball with the staged resin film further comprises the steps of:
providing first and second sheets of polybutadiene rubber;
sandwiching the staged resin film between the first and second sheets of
polybutadiene rubber to form a laminate; and
applying the laminate to a core.

34. (Previously Presented) The method of claim 33, wherein the step of molding a portion
of the golf ball with the staged resin film further comprises the steps of:
providing first and second sheets of staged resin film;
providing a sheet of polybutadiene-based material;
sandwiching the sheet of polybutadiene-based material between the first and
second sheets of staged resin film to form a laminate; and
applying the laminate to a core.